

WHEREAS, with the signing and proclaiming of the Declaration Of Independence on July 4, 1776, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the United States Of America was born; and,

WHEREAS, the people of the English colonies declared their freedom from tyranny with this document and forged the beginnings of a new and great nation based on the principles, beliefs, and rights written in the Declaration; and,

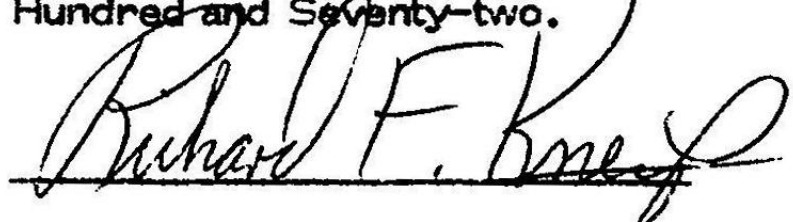
WHEREAS, this date, the official anniversary of our country, has been set aside by Congress as a day of celebration in our land:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 4, 1972, as

INDEPENDENCE DAY

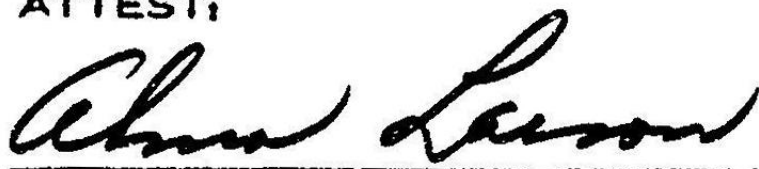
in the State of South Dakota, and join all Americans in celebration of this historic date. The citizenry of our State and of our country are urged to rejoice by ringing bells across the land at 1:00 P.M. CDT, the historic time of the approval of the Declaration by the Continental Congress.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I
have hereunto set my hand
and affixed the Great Seal
of the State of South Dakota,
in Pierre, the Capital City,
this 30th day of June, in the
Year of Our Lord, Nineteen
Hundred and Seventy-two.



RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



ALMA LARSON, SECRETARY OF STATE

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